

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Eichen et al.

**Application No.:** 09/674,090

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For: DETECTION OF A TARGET IN A  
SAMPLE

Group: 1637

Examiner: Angela Marie Bertagna

Our File: RCP-PT009

Date: July 12, 2010

**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This reply responds to Office Action dated January 11, 2010. This reply is filed in conjunction with an appropriate petition for extension of time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: